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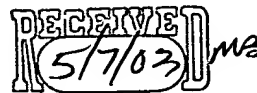
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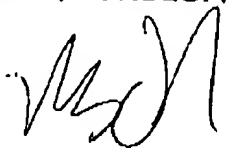
1) to better understand the Examiner's precise reasoning as to the teachings of the Kaewell reference and its ability to disclose the claim element: continuously broadcasting a plurality of firmware algorithms;

2) to discuss possible alterations to existing claim language in order to better distinguish the claimed subject matter from the Kaewell reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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